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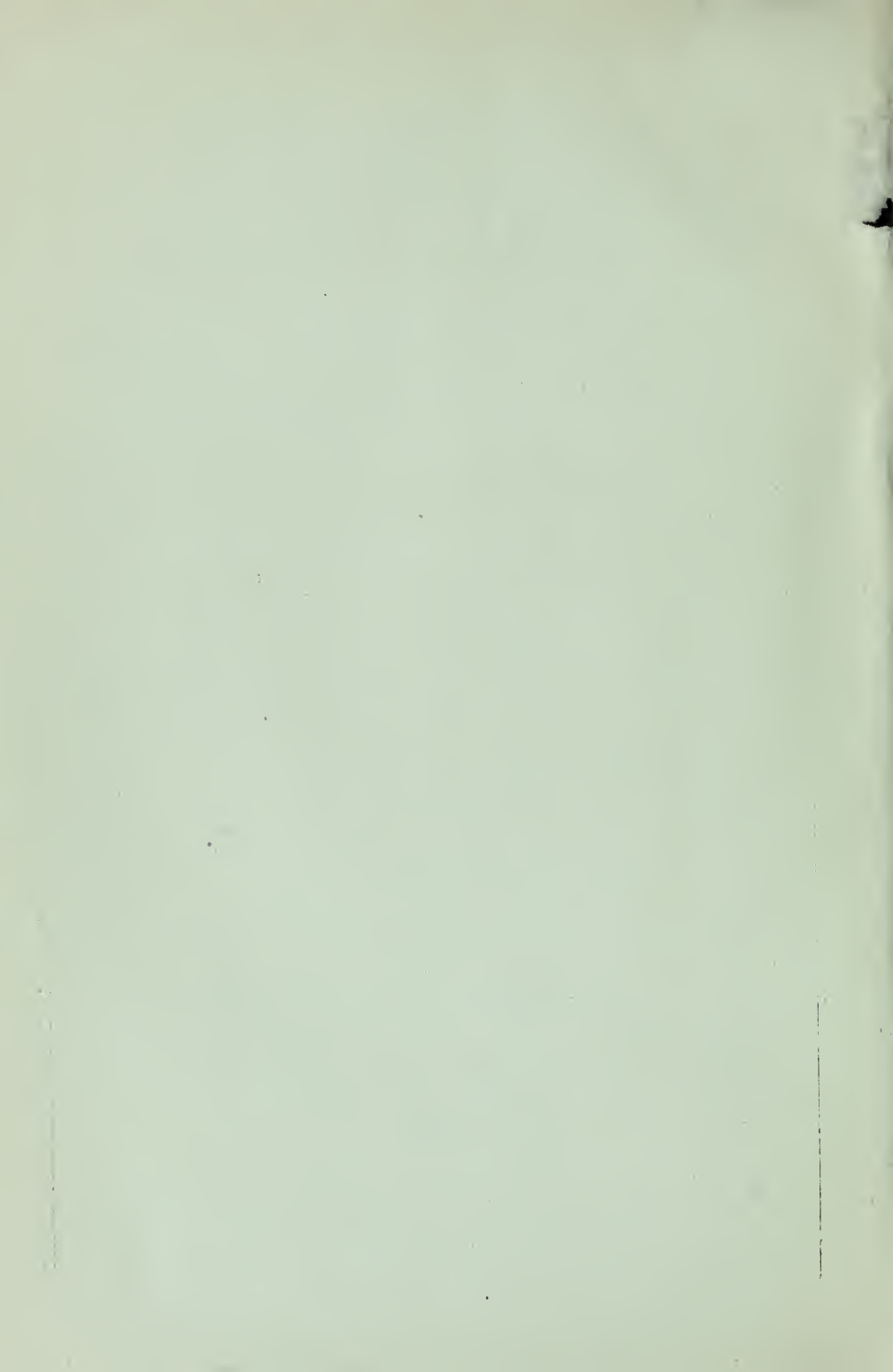
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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES.

CARBONDALE, ILL., Dec. 24, 1896.

To His Excellency, JOHN P. ALTGELD, Governor:

As trustees of the Southern Illinois State Normal University, we submit herewith our biennial report, dating from October 1, 1894, to September 30, 1896.

Two years ago we rendered our first report of this character, and were pleased to note the healthful condition of the University in all its departments, and the uniformly flattering prospects which were recognizable after two years of service under your appointment. This duty again devolves upon us.

During the period covered by this report the University has, we think, grown in usefulness and efficiency. But few changes have been made in the faculty.

The courses of study have been so modified as to better meet the needs of the students and the best interests of the institution, as we believe. It is possible that some slight changes might be made with good results.

ATTENDANCE.

The total enrollment last year by terms was 1,476; individual students, 744. The attendance last spring was 511. The graduating class of last year numbered 24. In no other year has the number of graduates been larger except the year 1887, when the class numbered 28. The graduating class this year promises to be larger than ever before, 35 being entered for graduation.

The following is a detailed report of attendance for the last two years:

YEAR 1894-95.

FALL TERM.

	Males.	Females.	Totals.
Normal department.....	173	150	323
Model department.....	61	54	115
Totals.....	234	204	438

WINTER TERM.

	Males.	Females.	Totals.
Normal department.....	188	163	351
Model department.....	53	47	100
Totals	241	210	451

SPRING TERM.

	Males.	Females.	Totals.
Normal department.....	219	193	412
Model department.....	61	56	117
Totals.....	280	249	529

Number of different pupils enrolled during the year, 739, as follows:

Normal department—			
Normal proper.....	459		
Preparatory Normal.....	100		
High School.....	34		
Model department—			593
Grammar.....	34		
Intermediate.....	55		
Primary.....	57		
			146
Total.....			739

YEAR 1895-6.

FALL TERM.

	Males.	Females.	Totals.
Normal department.....	195	157	352
Model department.....	69	53	122
Totals.....	264	210	474

WINTER TERM.

	Males.	Females.	Totals.
Normal department.....	210	157	367
Model department.....	67	57	124
Totals.....	277	214	491

SPRING TERM.

	Males.	Females.	Totals.
Normal department	205	188	393
Model department.....	63	55	118
Totals	268	243	511

Number of different pupils enrolled during the year, 744, as follows:

Normal department—			
Normal proper.....	494		
Preparatory Normal	107		
High School.....			601
Model department—			
Grammar	49		
Intermediate.....	46		
Primary.....	48		143
Total.....			744

TUITION.

The tables below show, by terms, the number paying tuition and the number having tuition free:

YEAR 1894-95.

FALL TERM.

	Normal.	Pre-paratory.	High school.	Grammar.	Inter-mediate.	Primary.	Totals.
Free tuition..	215	54	.....	.....	.....	41	310
Paid tuition..	18	2	36	29	45	.....	128
Total .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	438

WINTER TERM.

	Normal.	Pre-paratory.	High school.	Grammar.	Inter-mediate.	Primary.	Totals.
Free tuition..	243	59	.....	.....	.....	32	334
Paid tuition..	16	5	28	26	42	.....	117
Total .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	451

SPRING TERM.

	Normal.	Pre-paratory.	High school.	Grammar.	Inter-mediate.	Primary.	Totals.
Free tuition..	330	41	.....	.....	.....	44	415
Paid tuition..	8	5	28	27	46	.....	114
Total .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	529

May Institute, 48.

YEAR 1895-96.

FALL TERM.

	Normal.	Pre-paratory.	High school.	Grammar.	Inter-mediate.	Primary.	Totals.
Free tuition..	285	45	.....	.....	.....	39	369
Paid tuition..	17	5	.....	43	40	.....	105
Total .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	474

WINTER TERM.

	Normal.	Pre-paratory.	High school.	Grammar.	Inter-mediate.	Primary.	Totals.
Free tuition..	294	70	.....	.....	.....	39	403
Paid tuition..	21	4	.....	22	41	.....	88
Total .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	491

SPRING TERM.

	Normal.	Pre-paratory.	High school.	Grammar.	Inter-mediate.	Primary.	Totals.
Free tuition..	336	36	.....	.....	.....	36	408
Paid tuition..	16	5	.....	42	40	.....	103
Total .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	511

WORK OF GRADUATES AND UNDERGRADUATES.

From various sources we learn of the excellent work done by the graduates of the institution. Some of them are making enviable reputations in their several capacities in which they are laboring. Some of them are scoring unexpected success as superintendents of high schools, and in other phases of pedagogical service. These encouraging reports are not confined to the graduates. We are very much pleased to learn of the superior work done by many of the undergraduates—showing that the usefulness of the University is not limited to those who complete the courses of study.

The last legislature made an appropriation of \$40,000 for the construction of a suitable building for the library, museum, laboratory and class rooms for the University.

This appropriation was made available July 1, 1896. Your Board carefully canvassed the needs of the school and the suggestions of the faculty who rendered valuable assistance in setting forth the needs of the different departments.

It is a matter of regret that we could not secure a building which might meet all the suggestions made. Such was impossible within the appropriation. After much consideration, however, we determined on a size of building in keeping with the objects sought by the appropriation and which would meet all the present needs of the institution.

To your Excellency is the institution and the people of the State of Illinois indebted for many valuable suggestions. You it was who outlined the style of building—not a mere structure, but graceful, architectural, beautiful in design, yet at the sacrifice of naught of utility.

Many plans were thoroughly inspected, and finally those of Mr. C. W. Rapp, of No. 100 Washington street, Chicago, were selected as combining greater symmetry and utility, consistent with the needs of the school and the funds available.

These were afterward farther altered on consultation with yourself.

The letting of bids was thoroughly advertised all over the State and adjoining states. But two bids were within the appropriation, and others ranging as high as \$56,000, one of Mangson Davis, of Chicago, the other of W. T. Lenman & Co., of Louisville, Ky. After vainly endeavoring in every way to get Mangson Davis to sign contract and bond, they being the lowest bidders, and failing wholly so to do, contract was let to M. T. Lenman & Co., for the sum of \$40,000, bond and contract signed May 26, 1896, and the ground was broken the day after school closed, June 11, 1896. December 22 the dedicatory exercises were held in the building complete, and the keys delivered to your Board.

Possibly a brief description of the new building given in this connection would not be amiss.

The first floor contains the following rooms: First, on the left of main corridor, the gymnasium and its several apartments of toilet rooms, bowling alley, etc. The gymnasium is 48x80 ft., the bowling alley is 14x80 ft.; right of main corridor, the library, 50x60 ft. At the end of the corridor, the chemical recitation room, 26x32 ft., to the north of which is the chemical laboratory, 35x48 ft. The second floor contains the following rooms: First, at the head of the stairs to the right, a recitation room for the biological department, 22x30 ft.; second, at the head of the stairs to the north is the museum, 50x60 ft. At the end of corridor, the physical recitation room, 26x32 ft., to the north of which is the physical laboratory, 35x48 ft. Immediately over the biological recitation room, one of equal size, to be used as a biological laboratory.

The building is heated by steam, thoroughly plumbed for hot and cold water, wired for electric light throughout, and also thoroughly plumbed for gas.

It is built of the very best material, faced with buff pressed brick, finished with Bedford stone, complete in every detail, and is fire-proof. It is of Tudor Gothic design, and its towers and turrets and castellated walls will long endure, a monument to the foresight and wisdom of your Excellency and the cause of education in Southern Illinois.

We cannot omit to speak in highest praise of Mr. C. W. Rapp, who designed, of M. T. Lenman & Co., the contractors, and of Mr. Isaac Rapp, who superintended the construction of the building.

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It is with no little satisfaction to us that the building has been pronounced the cheapest building ever erected in the State. An examination of its details shows the minimum of waste material in its design, and it has been designed, contracted for and built with not a word of serious disagreement between either architect, superintendent, contractor or your Board.

We have gone thus into detail because we know and regret that you have not been able to view the completed result of our joint labors, and because we believe that the Southern Illinois Normal University thus provided, demands in the interest of the people of the State, and of Southern Illinois particularly, and of true economy, that this building presented herewith to the State of Illinois, should be sufficiently equipped to render the moneys thus far spent, and most carefully, of avail to the people of the State.

We append next following a financial statement of our stewardship for the past two years.

Some items run a little higher than usual because of necessary outlay incident to building, yet we are able notwithstanding to note a balance on hand October 1, 1896, of \$6,113.52.

The moneys available for carrying on the school have been as follows:

Balance on hand October 1, 1894.....	\$4,654 58
Received from State Treasurer.....	57,219 98
Received from D. B. Parkinson, Registrar, tuitions.....	6,546 70
Total	\$68,421 26

The moneys paid for expenditures, classified and summarized, vouchers for which are lodged with the State Auditor, and a duplicate of which we retain in this office, are as follows:

Apparatus	\$184 00
Building and grounds	1,495 86
Fuel and lights.....	1,654 15
Furniture	174 35
Graduating classes.....	400 00
Library	895 00
Lecture	9 00
Museum	600 00
Printing and advertising	1,241 67
Regents' fund	1,200 00
Repairs	236 43
Salaries	51,753 75
Incidentals	201 20
Training department	50 00
Trustees' expenses, including securing plans and specifications, bids, preparing of contract and bond, and superintending of new building	1,564 33
Stationery	225 00
Physical culture	350 00
Sundries	73 00
Balance on hand September 30, 1896.....	6,113 52
Total	\$68,421 26

Of this balance, however, our Board felt constrained to make numerous appropriations, at the last meeting of the Board, on December 22, 1896, which were absolutely necessary in order to enable the faculty to use the new building for the coming term. The amounts

expended for this purpose were only such as were absolutely necessary to admit of the new building being used at all until a new appropriation can be made available.

Notwithstanding the addition of the new building, we believe that with the exception of an additional sum for the payment of engineers and janitors and fuel, with the balance on hand, and with an economic administration of the school, a greater amount of money will not be required for the remaining expenses of the institution than was made available the past two years.

We desire, however, to call your attention to the founding of two additional normal schools in the State. If these share in the seminary fund, then a correspondingly larger appropriation will have to be made to compensate this loss. If the institution will still continue to draw one-half of the seminary fund then, in our opinion, the amounts needed annually for the next two years are as follows;

For the payment of teachers' salaries, in addition to the one-half of the interest on the college and seminary fund	\$15,426 44
For fuel.....	2,000 00
For repairs.....	1,500 00
For library.....	1,000 00
For apparatus.....	250 00
For museum.....	500 00
For engineer and janitors.....	1,350 00
For Trustees' expenses.....	500 00
For care of grounds.....	300 00
Total.....	\$22,826 44

As before stated, it will be necessary to equip the new building properly, and we have carefully canvassed the probable cost of the same; this in addition to the money required for running expenses. No little time and thought has been given this matter, and we have carefully gone over the needs with the faculty and school supply companies. In estimating below, our desire has been to provide for furnishings suitable and efficient, and which should meet the requirements of the school for a long time to come, and which future growth and needs will not render unfit for use. The following, we believe, should be appropriated by the next legislature.

For extra library cases and tables.....	\$1,500 00
For extra museum cases.....	1,000 00
For biological laboratory.....	1,000 00
For physical laboratory.....	600 00
For chemical laboratory.....	500 00
For gymnasium.....	1,200 00
For furniture.....	550 00
For grading and paving grounds about building.....	300 00
Total.....	\$6,650 00

We append herewith a list of our faculty and employés, with the salary of each:

H. H. Everest, President— Psychology, Political Economy, Logic and Ethics.....	\$3, 500 00
D. B. Parkinson, Vice-President and Registrar— Physics, Chemistry, Astronomy and Geology.....	2, 100 00
G. H. French, Curator of Museum— Natural History and Physiology.....	1, 800 00
James Kirk, Superintendent Training School— Pedagogy and School Law.....	1, 800 00
Samuel E. Harwood— Method in Arithmetic and Higher Mathematics.....	1, 600 00
H. W. Shryock— Elocution, Rhetoric and English Literature.....	1, 600 00
George W. Smith— Training Teacher, Music, and Principal Grammar School.....	1, 500 00
C. E. Allen— Latin, Greek and German.....	1, 300 00
S. B. Whittington— Arithmetic and Physical Culture.....	1, 300 00
Martha Buck— English Grammar.....	1, 100 00
Theda Gildemeister— Training Teacher, and Principal Primary School.....	1, 000 00
Irene Ferguson— Assistant Training Teacher.....	500 00
Mary Caldwell— Penmanship, Book-keeping and Physical Culture.....	1, 000 00
Inez I. Green— Geography.....	1, 000 00
Arista Burton— History—Ancient and Modern.....	1, 000 00
Matilda F. Salter— Drawing.....	1, 000 00
Minnie J. Fryar— Librarian.....	600 00
Jennie Hopper— Stenographer and Clerical Assistant.....	540 00
Richard Tierney— Janitor and Engineer.....	720 30
Charles Crowell— Assistant Janitor.....	420 00
James M. Evans.....	200 00
C. W. Terry— Secretary Board of Trustees.....	200 00

The people of Southern Illinois particularly may well congratulate themselves in the possession of this State institution, and in the new impetus given to it during the past two years.

Students and graduates are fast finding their way to distant fields, while the advantage of such a school to present and especially future generations of Southern Illinois cannot be estimated, and its beneficent effects are already plainly manifest throughout this section of the State.

The people of Carbondale have been zealous in their interest in the progress of the school and we acknowledge this value of their friendly aid with pleasure.

Especially do we mention Mr. S. W. Dunnaway, the resident member of the Board and chairman of the Committee on Buildings and Grounds, and his interest and care of the property entrusted to us.

The corps of instructors have been selected wholly without regard to their personal, religious or political affiliations, the best interests of the institution being our sole guiding purpose.

The entire faculty have always been ready and anxious to inform the Board of the work done in their respective departments and of present and future needs.

Professor D. B. Parkinson whose connection commenced with the founding of the organization has ably assisted us in many ways.

The students cannot but impress a casual visitor as being zealous in their work and imbued with the responsibilities of the life work for which they are preparing, they have always manifested a desire to build up and aid the school of their adoption. Earnest endeavor to employ with utmost profit the time available seems to dominate faculty and students alike.

Despite the hard times we believe never before did the institution manifest as thorough progress, and we recognize the interest which you have manifested in our work, and the impetus given education throughout the State.

Through Professor S. M. Inglis, the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, and his earnest co-operation we have been better able to compare the results of our labors with those of like institutions elsewhere, and the comparison at least does not discourage us.

We all regret the serious illness of the secretary of the Board, Mr. W. R. Ward, and have felt his consequent absence during the last few months and have been deprived of his valuable counsel, during which time Mr. C. W. Terry has assumed the duties of secretary of the Board.

In conclusion, we desire to say we have done the best we could. That we have not made mistakes no one will probably say—understanding the needs of the school as we now do, we frankly admit errors that time has disclosed. We have had many things to attend to which would not ordinarily confront the Board, incident to building money, etc., but we have tried to do our duty to the great institution entrusted to us—our duty to the people of the State and to justify you as far as lay in our power in our selection. We hope we have not wholly failed.

The Institution can be improved in many respects—the interests of the people of Southern Illinois demand that it should be. The General Assembly can do much to this end and should in our opinion make appropriation sufficient to suitably equip the University as above suggested.

We most respectfully urge that you will see fit to recommend same to the next General Assembly.

Respectfully submitted,

C. W. BLISS,

President.

C. W. TERRY,

Secretary.



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